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Malaga, February 11.

WE have an Account, that the Marqueſs de Lede with his Army retired from his Camp into Ceuta the 4th Inſtant in the Night, without any Loſs, being unperceived by the Moors. He has begun to tranſport his Troops to the Bay of Gibraltar, from whence they are to march to the reſpective Quarters aſſigned them in the Provinces of Seville, Corduba, and Granada.

Madrid Feb. 17. On the 12th Inſtant arrived here Don Pedro de Caſtro Major General of the Spaniſh Guards, having been diſpatched by the Marqueſs de Lede with Advice of his being returned to Spain with both the Spaniſh and Walloon Regiments of Guards, and with all the reſt of the Forces, as well Horſe as Foot, except eight Battallions that are left for the Garriſon of Ceuta, which Place is made much ſtronger than it was before by new Fortifications. The Marqueſs de Lede is ſhortly expected at Court.

Stockholm, Feb. 7, *O. S.* The King went into the Country on the 4th Inſtant, accompanied by the Field-Marſhals Reenſhiold and Sparre. His Majeſty went firſt to a Seat which the latter has about 25 Leagues from hence called Sundby, there to take the Diverſion of Hunting for two or three Days, and then go on to Kongſore one of the Royal Seats; whence after a ſhort Stay he deſigns to proceed to Orebroe. On the 5th in the Evening Major General Diemer, the Heſſian Envoy, followed the King. On the 3d Inſtant came Letters from M. Campredon, by the Brigantine that carried him to Revel, where he landed on the 26th paſt. The ſame Day Auditor General Dahlman, who about two Months ago was ſent from hence to Petersbourg, returned hither from thence. Count Meyerfeldt is gone to Yſtadt, in order to imbark for his Government of Pomerania. We have had a hard Froſt for about 12 Days paſt, and much Snow is fallen, which has delivered the People from the Apprehenſions they were lately under of loſing all their Winter Corn.

Paris, March 5. On the 28th paſt M. de Memes, firſt Preſident, went at the Head of a Deputation of the Parliament to the Louvre, to make a Remonſtrance to the King concerning the Affair of the Duke de la Force, which had been removed from the Parliament to the Privy Council. His Majeſty received them very graciouſly, and referred them for an Anſwer to the Chancellour, who told them, that the King's Intention was not to infringe the Privileges of the Parliament; but as that Affair had cauſed ſome Diviſions amongſt the Dukes, he thought fit to ſuſpend it; nor did his Majeſty deſign wholly to deprive that Company of the Cognizance of this Cauſe, ſince in the Arrêt given upon this Occaſion it is expreſly ſaid, that his Majeſty, after having examined into it, would refer it to its proper Judges. Nevertheleſs, the Parliament having met again on the 3d Inſtant, the Princes of the Blood, the Dukes and Peers being preſent, reſolved to reiterate their Solicitations to the King for a more poſitive Anſwer, which 'tis thought they will obtain, becauſe the Princes of the Blood, and the greateſt Part of the Dukes and Peers, are deſirous that that Affair ſhould be brought back to the Parliament. To-Morrow the Duke de Richelieu is to be received in the Parliament in Quality of Duke and Peer. The eight Offices which are preparing at the Louvre for the Examination of the Paper-Effects will be opened on the 10th Inſtant. The Duke de Goſtun-Talland, who was prevented by an Indiſpoſition from accompanying his Uncle the Cardinal de Rohan, when he ſet out from hence on the 27th paſt, followed him the 3d Inſtant to Saverne, where the Cardinal was to ſtop a few Days. Great Preparations are continued to be made for the Reception of the Turkiſh Ambaſſadour, and ſeveral Alterations are making in the Palace of the Tuilleries for the publick Audience of that Miniſter.

Hague, March 7. The Towns of Holland which oppoſed the ſending of a Squadron into the Streights, having at laſt conſented, the States General unanimouſly reſolved on the 5th Inſtant, to fit out with all poſſible Speed, a Squadron for that Service, conſiſting of eight Men of War, viz. four of 44, and four of 54 and 52 Guns, beſides two Tranſports. The Admiralties have undertaken to have the ſaid Squadron ready to ſail within ſix Weeks, from the Date of the Receipt of the Money neceſſary to be advanced for this Purpoſe, which is to be borrowed of the Publick at four per Cent. Intereſt upon a certain Fund. M. Sommerdyck is deſigned for Admiral, but will not be declared before the reſt of the Officers are named, which will be in a Day or two.

Admiralty-Office, Feb. 27, 1720.

Whereas Sir John Norris, Admiral of the Blue, and the Flag-Officers of the Baltick Squadron, are gone to Chatham, and down the River of Thames, to haſten the diſpatch of the Ships of the ſaid Squadron all that poſſibly may be; the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty do ſtrictly charge and require all the Men who are now abſent from the ſaid Ships, immediately to repair to their Duty on board them, for that otherwiſe they ſhall not only forfeit the Wages due to them, but be puniſhed as Deſerters from His Majeſty's Service.

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